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Applicant(s) : Fausto ARMONTI et al.
For : COMPOSITION FOR THE RELIEF OF HEAT STRESS
Atty. Docket No.: Provvisionato Case 3A

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT CANCELLING CLAIMS

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee in the above-identified application, kindly enter the following:

IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly amend the claims as follows. A marked-up version of the amended claims is enclosed herewith showing the changes made by the current amendment.

Kindly amend Claims 6, 8-10 and 12 as follows:

6. (Amended) A composition according to claim 1, further comprising oligoelements, dermoprotective vitamins and anti-oxidants so as to compensate for the biochemical changes which might occur in the skin of a person passively exposed to heath and/or sunshine.

8. (Amended) A composition according to claim 1, wherein the composition is prepared in the form of a powder.

9. (Amended) A composition according to claim 1, wherein the composition is prepared in a solid form.

10. (Amended) A composition according to claim 1, wherein the composition is solubilized in water.

12. (Amended) A hypocaloric beverage useful for the relief of heat stress, including rehydration and selective restoration of the potassium and magnesium ions, systemic decreases of which are associated with passive

transpiration/perspiration, the beverage comprising a composition according to claim 1 solubilized in water, wherein for each liter of beverage each part by weight of composition ion corresponds to 1 mg.

REMARKS

This amendment eliminates multiple dependencies in Claims 6, 8-10 and 12 in order to reduce the filing fee. Please enter this amendment before calculating the filing fee.

Respectfully submitted,


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Encl: Marked-up Version of Amended Claims 6, 8-10 and 12

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Marked-up Amended Claims

6. (Amended) A composition according to ~~any one of~~
~~claims 1 to 5~~claim 1, further comprising oligoelements,
dermoprotective vitamins and anti-oxidants so as to compensate
for the biochemical changes which might occur in the skin of a
person passively exposed to heath and/or sunshine.

8. (Amended) A composition according to ~~any one of~~
~~claim 1 to 7~~claim 1, wherein the composition is prepared in
the form of a powder.

9. (Amended) A composition according to ~~any one of~~
~~claim 1 to 7~~claim 1, wherein the composition is prepared in a
solid form.

10. (Amended) A composition according to ~~any one of~~
~~claim 1 to 7~~claim 1, wherein the composition is solubilized in
water.

12. (Amended) A hypocaloric beverage useful for the
relief of heat stress, including rehydration and selective
restoration of the potassium and magnesium ions, systemic
decreases of which are associated with passive
transpiration/perspiration, the beverage comprising a
composition according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 7~~claim 1
solubilized in water, wherein for each liter of beverage each
part by weight of composition ion corresponds to 1 mg.